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IN RE: PHENYLPROPANOLAMINE (PPA) PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION,

MDL NO. 1407

This document relates to:
McCormmach, et al. v.
Schering-Plough Corp.
(C01-303R); Rasmussen, et al.
v. GlaxoSmithKline Corp., et
al. (C01-304R); Dietschi, et
al. v. American Home Products
Corp. (C01-306R); Knight, et
al. v. Bayer Corp. (C01-307R);
French, et al. v. BristolMyers Squibb Co. (C01-308R);
Crichton, et al. v. Novartis
Corp., et al. C01-309R)

SCHEDULING ORDER GOVERNING DISCOVERY AND BRIEFING OF CLASS CERTIFICATION ISSUE IN ECONOMIC INJURY PUTATIVE CLASS ACTIONS

The parties having agreed to entry of the following order regarding discovery and briefing of the class certification issue in the above-captioned actions, and the court having heard argument on the few outstanding issues in dispute, it is hereby ordered:

CLASS CERTIFICATION DISCOVERY AND BRIEFING SCHEDULE

The following schedule shall apply in these cases:

<u>Date</u>

Class Discovery (non-expert) Begins, December 20, 2001 Subject to Section II Herein Regarding Stipulations by Defendants

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1	<u>Event</u>	Date
2	Last Day to Join New Parties	January 31, 2002
3	Last Day for Defendants to Provide Stipulations In Lieu of Class Certification Discovery Pursuant to Section II Herein	January 31, 2002
5 6	Class Certification Discovery (non-expert) Ends	February 15, 2002
7	Plaintiffs to File Briefs and any Expert Reports in Support of Their motions for Class Certification	March 1, 2002
9 10 11	Defendants to File Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings Dismissing Plaintiffs' Claims for Injunctive Relief in the Form of Emergency Notice, and Brief in Support	March 1, 2002
12 13	Last Day for Plaintiffs to Produce Experts Relating to Class Issues for Deposition	As soon after service of each expert's report that defendants are ready to take deposition
14 15 16	Defendants to File Briefs and any Expert Reports in Opposition to Class Certification	April 12, 2002
17 18 19	Plaintiffs to File Brief in Opposition to Defendants' Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings Dismissing Plaintiffs' Claims for Injunctive Relief in the Form of Emergency Notice	April 12, 2002
20	Last Day for Defendants to Produce Experts Relating to Class Issues for Deposition	As soon after service of each expert's report that plaintiffs are ready to take deposition
222324	Plaintiffs to File Reply Brief and Rebuttal Expert Reports, if any, on Class Certification Issues	May 13, 2002
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Defendants to File Reply Brief, if any, in Support of Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings Dismissing Plaintiffs' Claims for Injunctive Relief in the Form of Emergency Notice

May 13, 2002

Hearing on Class Certification Motion and on Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings Regarding Plaintiffs' Claims for Injunctive Relief in the Form of Emergency Notice

To Be Determined

STIPULATIONS AND DISCOVERY REGARDING CLASS CERTIFICATION ISSUES

In lieu of responding to discovery requests on class certification issues, defendants in each action, no later than January 31, 2002, shall stipulate to the following facts, to the extent that defendants have information relating to each fact:

- The cough, cold and allergy products sold by the defendant since 1994 that contained PPA.
- The geographic area in which such products were sold.
- · The time period during which such products were sold.
- Whether the defendant conducted any recall or refund program concerning such products.
- A description of the elements and duration of any such recall or refund program.
- The reasons given by the defendant for conducting any such program.
- The effectiveness of any such program.

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• Any information the defendant has concerning the extent to which consumers are aware or were made aware of the alleged stroke risks of PPA discussed in the article Kernan, et al., "Phenylpropanolomine and the Risk of Hemorrhagic Stroke," 343 New Eng. J. Med. 1826 (Dec. 21, 2000) ("the Yale Study"), as a result of notification efforts made by the FDA, the defendant, or any other source.

If any defendant fails to provide a stipulated fact required hereunder, the parties shall promptly and in good faith confer and attempt to resolve their differences. If the parties cannot resolve their differences without court intervention, plaintiffs may move to compel the production of a satisfactory stipulation within five days of (i) receipt of the stipulation in dispute or (ii) the deadline for receipt of a stipulation, if none is provided, and the respective defendant shall respond to such motion within five days.

LENGTH OF BRIEFS

Plaintiffs' master brief in support of class certification as to all defendants shall not exceed 50 pages. If necessary, plaintiffs shall file briefs addressing individual defendant specific issues not to exceed 10 pages.

Defendants in one action shall submit one master brief on behalf of defendants in all actions, not to exceed 50 pages, in opposition to plaintiffs' motion for class certification.

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Defendants in each of the remaining five actions shall submit a supplemental brief, not to exceed 20 pages, addressing facts specific to the claims in that action.

Plaintiffs' reply brief in support of class certification shall not exceed 25 pages.

SCOPE OF CLASS BRIEFING AND NEW EXPERTS

The court grants plaintiffs' request that they be allowed to designate a new expert to address damages in the economic injury cases.

TIMING OF ECONOMIC INJURY CLASS ACTION MERITS DISCOVERY

The court finds that aside from the issues the parties have been able to agree to, discovery unique to the economic injury class actions shall not go forward until such time as the court rules on the motions for class certification.

DATED at Seattle, Washington this 31st day of January, 2002.

BARBARA JACOBS ROTHSTEIN UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

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